

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-12. **(Canceled)**

13. **(Currently Amended)** A shock-attenuating assembly that is sufficiently flexible to wrap around any shaped structure, said assembly comprising, in combination,

- (a) a first film of flexible resin material, wherein said first film of flexible resin material is optionally water-impermeable or is optionally coated with a water-impermeable material;
- (b) a second film of flexible resin material, wherein said second film of flexible resin material is optionally water-impermeable or is optionally coated with a water-impermeable material, wherein said second film of flexible resin material has attached pockets spaced from each other along the second film;
- (c) the first film is attached to the second film via a plurality of seams, wherein the seams surround each of the spaced pockets in such a manner as to make the assembly sufficiently flexible to surround ~~any shaped a~~ structure of any shape;

- (d) each of the pockets is filled with a flowable shock wave attenuating material ~~having the flow properties of a liquid selected from the group consisting of volcanic foam glasses, perlite, vermiculite and pumice;~~ and
- (e) wherein both the first film and the second film are sufficiently porous with respect to acoustic or shock waves or gas to allow the acoustic or shock wave to penetrate the film to reach the flowable shock wave attenuating material.

14. **(Previously Presented)** The flexible shock-attenuating assembly according to claim 13 wherein the shock attenuating material is perlite.

Claims 15 and 16. (Cancelled)

17. **(Previously Presented)** The flexible shock-attenuating assembly according to claim 13 further including within the pockets at least one material selected from the group consisting of fireproofing materials, heat insulating materials, intumescent materials, and radiating insulating materials.

18. **(Previously Presented)** The flexible shock-attenuating assembly according to claim 13 further including within the pockets a fire retarding material.

19. **(Previously Presented)** The flexible shock-attenuating assembly according to claim 13 wherein the assembly is adapted and constructed so that the assembly can be cut along the seams so that shock attenuating material remains confined in the pockets.

20. **(Cancelled)**

21. **(Previously Presented)** The flexible shock-attenuating assembly according to claim 13 wherein the flexible sheets are water-impermeable.

22. **(Currently Amended)** A flexible shock-attenuating assembly comprising in combination:

- (a) a first strip of a water-impermeable polyamide resin material;
- (b) a second strip of a water-impermeable polyamide resin material, said second strip having attached pockets spaced from each other along the second strip;
- (c) the first strip attached to the second strip via a plurality of seams, the seams surrounding each of the spaced pockets in such a way as to make the assembly flexible; and

wherein both the first strip and the second strip are sufficiently porous with respect to acoustic or shock waves to allow the acoustic or shock wave to penetrate the strip to reach ~~the flowable~~ shock wave attenuating material contained in the pockets.

23. **(Currently Amended)** A carrier for shock-attenuating material, which carrier is sufficiently flexible to wrap around a structure of any shape structure, said carrier and shock attenuating material comprising, in combination,

- (a) a first film of flexible resin material, wherein said first film of flexible resin material is optionally water-impermeable or is optionally coated with a water-impermeable material;
- (b) a second film of flexible resin material, wherein said second film of flexible resin material is optionally water-impermeable or is optionally coated with a water-impermeable material, wherein said second film of flexible resin material has attached pockets spaced from each other along the second film;
- (c) the first film is attached to the second film via a plurality of seams, wherein the seams surround each of the spaced pockets in such a manner as to make the carrier sufficiently flexible to surround any shaped structure;
- (d) each of the pockets is filled with a shock wave attenuating material ~~having the flow properties of a liquid~~selected from the group consisting of volcanic foam glasses, perlite, vermiculite, and pumice; and

- (e) wherein both the first film and the second film are sufficiently porous with respect to acoustic or shock waves to allow the acoustic or shock wave to penetrate the film to reach the flowable shock wave attenuating material.

24. **(New)** The carrier according to claim 23 wherein the shock wave attenuating material is perlite.

25. **(New)** The carrier according to claim 23 further including within the pockets at least one material selected from the group consisting of fireproofing materials, heat insulating materials, intumescent materials, and radiating insulating materials.

26. **(New)** The carrier according to claim 23 further including within the pockets a fire retarding material.

27. **(New)** The carrier according to claim 23 wherein the carrier is adapted and constructed so that the carrier can be cut along the seams so that shock attenuating material remains confined in the pockets.

28. **(New)** The carrier according to claim 23 wherein the flexible sheets are water-impermeable.

29. **(New)** A carrier for flowable shock-wave attenuating material comprising in combination:

- (a) a first strip of a water-impermeable polyamide resin material;
- (b) a second strip of a water-impermeable polyamide resin material, said second strip having attached pockets spaced from each other along the second strip;
- (c) the first strip attached to the second strip via a plurality of seams, the seams surrounding each of the spaced pockets in such a way as to make the carrier flexible; and

wherein both the first strip and the second strip are sufficiently porous with respect to acoustic or shock waves to allow the acoustic or shock wave to penetrate the strip to reach shock wave attenuating material contained in the pockets.